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Title Stabilization of Vitamins)
in Water-in Silicone Oil)
(W/O) Emulsions)
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AMENDMENT & REPLY - 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Patent Office Action dated March 12, 2002, amend the above-identified patent application as indicated below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Cancel Claims 1-6 and add new Claims 7-12 as follows:

7. (NEW) A composition comprising a water-in-oil (W/O) emulsion having a discontinuous aqueous phase dispersed in a continuous oil phase, the continuous oil phase of the W/O emulsion comprising a linear silicone polyether, the linear silicone polyether having a rake type structure wherein the polyoxyethylene or polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene copolymeric units are grafted onto a siloxane backbone, or the linear silicone polyether having an ABA block copolymeric structure